## \*UPDATE #1\* Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Accident on DuPont Boulevard-Georgetown

**Georgetown-** Delaware State Police is conducting a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a tractor-trailer that occurred Wednesday afternoon.

On February 3, 2021, at approximately 2:23 p.m., a 2008 Toyota Scion was traveling southbound in the left southbound lane of DuPont Boulevard (US 113) just north of the Arrow Safety Road intersection. A 2012 Freightliner Cascadia was traveling northbound in the right northbound lane of DuPont Boulevard (US 113) just north of the Arrow Safety Road intersection. The Toyota exited the east edge of the roadway, traveled through the grass median, and continued eastbound, entering the northbound lanes of DuPont Boulevard. The Toyota drove directly into the trailer's left side, pulled by the Freightliner, and impacted the underside before becoming wedged under the trailer. The Freightliner was able to come to a controlled stop in the northbound shoulder of DuPont Boulevard after the collision.

The Scion operator was a 30-year-old female of Seaford. She was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification is pending notification to next of kin.

The Freightliner operator was a 48-year-old male of Maryland and was not injured during the collision.

The Freightliner was pulling a tank-style trailer at the time of the collision, loaded with poultry wastewater. As a result of the collision, the trailer was punctured, causing the load to spill into the roadway and surrounding area. DNREC

responded to the scene in reference to the spill.

The northbound lanes and left southbound lanes of DuPont Boulevard were shut down for approximately 4.5 hours to investigate and clean the roadway.

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone with information regarding this investigation should contact Cpl/1 Ryan Albert with Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-644-5020. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <a href="http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com">http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com</a>.

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